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1. At about 1700 hours on 26 July 1953, two Chinese Communist jet aircraft attacked two Chinese Nationalist Air Force (CAF) F-47's from the 216 Fighter Squadron, which had been engaged in patrolling the East China coast between Shihp'u (N 29-15, E 121-26) and Hsiangshan (N 29-29, E 121-51). After a 30-minute dogfight with sporadic firing the jets broke off the engagement. No hits were scored by either side.
2. At 1720 hours Fushing Airlines received an emergency call to pick up a CAF pilot who had crashed out of fuel at N 26-45, E 121-00. At 1750 hours a Fushing Airlines PBY left Taipei and located the pilot, who had landed in water near a fishing boat. The crashed plane was one of the two F-47's which had engaged the jets; the other planes landed safely on Taiwan, although so low on fuel that it had to be towed from the runway.
3. The jet interceptors had first been spotted by the CAF wingman, who notified the lead plane by radio. Both CAF fighters turned into the jets, firing until the jets passed. The CAF fighters then dived to a low altitude over the mainland, and the 30-minute running dogfight followed.

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Comment. This is the first definite report of Chinese Communist jets in the Chekiang coastal area.

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1. Comment. The pilots believe the jets were MIG-15's.

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